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TOPIC Kamenz Airfield

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EVALUATION PLACE OBTAINED

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between 24 July and 12 August 1953, Kamenz airfield was not occupied by aircraft. Construction work at the installation continued. Fuel continuously arrived at the field. The runway matting was removed.<sup>1</sup> The barracks installation quartered KVP soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. There were officers who discharged in conjunction with the happenings of 17 June. Some Soviet soldiers were seen at the barracks installation. Trucks

\_\_\_\_\_ were observed at the installation.

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2. On 28 July, the following order was issued relative to VPL School No 500 and the Kreis Registration Office in Kamenz:

- a. The personnel of the units mentioned will be reduced by one third;
- b. No further personnel will be recruited;
- c. The VP discharged personnel will be paid half a month's salary;
- d. The VP registration office involved will help the discharged VP personnel find new jobs.

In conjunction with this order, 30 percent of the students of Course II for mechanics of School No 500 will be discharged. The personnel of Course I for technicians will also be reduced; however, details were not yet available. A total of 64 officers was also scheduled for discharge. Additional personnel was to be discharged by request of the State Security Service.<sup>2</sup>

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3. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on 5 August, 10 aircraft were observed at Kamenz airfield. The gates of the hangars were closed. \_\_\_\_\_ VPL personnel at the barracks installation at the northeastern exit of Kamenz. The soldiers of this unit wore either silver wings on their collar patches or a silver A on the silver-bordered epaulets. Sedans \_\_\_\_\_ and trucks \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ were observed.

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4. Kamenz airfield measures about 2,000 x 300 meters and was bordered by a 2-meter brick wall in the west and southwest and a board fence in the southeast and east. Two 2-story buildings were completed in the southern portion of the field. A third building was still under construction. [redacted] seven low wooden buildings in the southeastern corner of the field were also unoccupied. Several construction sites were seen near Kamenz-Nord railroad station. Construction work was executed by the Bau Union Sued. <sup>1</sup> 50X1-HUM

1. [redacted] Comment. Kamenz airfield is at present not occupied by a training unit. The 602d VFL Regt previously stationed there is believed to have moved to Drewitz airfield. The shipping of fuel to the installation indicates that a re-occupation of the field is intended. However, this assumption is not supported by the fact that the runway matting was removed from the installation. 50X1-HUM

2. [redacted] Comment. This measure appears noteworthy. School No 500 conducts basic training and consists of three courses with a total of about 1,500 students. 50X1-HUM

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